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Leslie Buhler
Land and Permitting Manager
CS Mining
1208 S 200 W
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Dear Ms. Buhler:

This letter responds to your request submitted to the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining in October, 2014 to revise the permit reclamation bond for the Hidden Treasure Large Mine Operations Permit (DOGM file, M/001/0036 and BLM file UTU-82071). As this permit bond includes disturbances on BLM-managed land administered through the BLM Cedar City field office, our concurrence to these proposed bond changes is required.

We have reviewed the proposed bond adjustments as they pertain to the BLM-specific portions of the permit area. We understand that these revisions primarily reflect revised estimates of the cost of re-grading waste dumps from their current configurations to the pre-topsoiling profiles. We also understand that the prior estimate for this re-grading work was overly conservative with regard to the waste volumes to be handled, thus grossly overestimating the prior bond estimate.

Ed Ginouves of my staff concurs with the new bond estimate and has recommended that I authorize the bond reduction. The BLM apportion of the permit bond is now projected to be \$1,012,000.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ed Ginouves directly at 435-865-3040.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Burghard
Field Office Manager

cc: Peter Brinton, Reclamation Specialist, DOGM (Hidden Treasure LMO M/001/0036)
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